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### § 1017.20 Routine access.

- (a) Authorized Individual. The Reviewing Official who determines that a document or material contains UCNI is the initial Authorized Individual for that document or material. An Authorized Individual, for UCNI in his or her possession or control, may determine that another person is an Authorized Individual who may be granted access to the UCNI, subject to limitations in paragraph (b) of this section, and who may further disseminate the UCNI under the provisions of this section.
- (b) Requirements for routine access. To be eligible for routine access to UCNI, the person must have a need to know the UCNI in order to perform official duties or other Government-authorized activities and must be:
  - (1) A U.S. citizen who is:
- (i) An employee of any branch of the Federal Government, including the U.S. Armed Forces;
- (ii) An employee or representative of a State, local, or Indian tribal government:
- (iii) A member of an emergency response organization;
- (iv) An employee of a Government contractor or a consultant, including those contractors or consultants who need access to bid on a Government contract;
- (v) A member of Congress or a staff member of a congressional committee or of an individual member of Congress;
- (vi) A Governor of a State, his or her designated representative, or a State government official;
- (vii) A member of a DOE advisory committee; or,
- (viii) A member of an entity that has entered into a formal agreement with the Government, such as a Cooperative Research and Development Agreement or similar arrangement; or,
- (2) A person who is not a U.S. citizen but who is:
- (i) A Federal Government employee or a member of the U.S. Armed Forces;
- (ii) An employee of a Federal Government contractor or subcontractor;
- (iii) A Federal Government consultant;
- (iv) A member of a DOE advisory committee:

- (v) A member of an entity that has entered into a formal agreement with the Government, such as a Cooperative Research and Development Agreement or similar arrangement:
- (vi) An employee or representative of a State, local, or Indian tribal government: or.
- (vii) A member of an emergency response organization when responding to an emergency; or,
- (3) A person who is not a U.S. citizen but who needs to know the UCNI in conjunction with an activity approved by the DOE Program Secretarial Officer or NNSA Deputy or Associate Administrator with cognizance over the UCNI.

#### § 1017.21 Limited access.

- (a) A person who is not eligible for routine access to specific UCNI under §1017.20 may request limited access to such UCNI by sending a written request to the DOE Program Secretarial Officer or NNSA Deputy or Associate Administrator with cognizance over the information. The written request must include the following:
- (1) The name, current residence or business address, birthplace, birth date, and country of citizenship of the person submitting the request;
- (2) A description of the specific UCNI for which limited access is being requested;
- (3) A description of the purpose for which the UCNI is needed; and,
- (4) Certification by the requester that he or she:
- (i) Understands and will follow these regulations; and
- (ii) Understands that he or she is subject to the civil and criminal penalties under Subpart F of this part.
- (b) The decision whether to grant the request for limited access is based on the following criteria:
- (1) The sensitivity of the UCNI for which limited access is being requested;
- (2) The approving official's evaluation of the likelihood that the requester will disseminate the UCNI to unauthorized individuals; and,
- (3) The approving official's evaluation of the likelihood that the requester will use the UCNI for illegal purposes.

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- (c) Within 30 days of receipt of the request for limited access, the appropriate DOE Program Secretarial Officer or NNSA Deputy or Associate Administrator must notify the requester if limited access is granted or denied, or if the determination cannot be made within 30 days, of the date when the determination will be made.
- (d) A person granted limited access to specific UCNI is not an Authorized Individual and may not further disseminate the UCNI to anyone.

# Subpart E—Physical Protection Requirements

# § 1017.22 Notification of protection requirements.

- (a) An Authorized Individual who grants routine access to specific UCNI under §1017.20 to a person who is not an employee or contractor of the DOE must notify the person receiving the UCNI of protection requirements described in this subpart and any limitations on further dissemination.
- (b) A DOE Program Secretarial Officer or NNSA Deputy or Associate Administrator who grants limited access to specific UCNI under §1017.21 must notify the person receiving the UCNI of protection requirements described in this subpart and any limitations on further dissemination.

## $\S 1017.23$ Protection in use.

An Authorized Individual or a person granted limited access to UCNI under §1017.21 must maintain physical control over any document or material marked as containing UCNI that is in use to prevent unauthorized access to it.

### §1017.24 Storage.

A document or material marked as containing UCNI must be stored to preclude unauthorized disclosure. When not in use, documents or material containing UCNI must be stored in locked receptacles (e.g., file cabinet, desk drawer), or if in secured areas or facilities, in a manner that would prevent inadvertent access by an unauthorized individual.

### § 1017.25 Reproduction.

A document marked as containing UCNI may be reproduced without the permission of the originator to the minimum extent necessary consistent with the need to carry out official duties, provided the reproduced document is marked and protected in the same manner as the original document.

### § 1017.26 Destruction.

A document marked as containing UCNI must be destroyed, at a minimum, by using a cross-cut shredder that produces particles no larger than 1/4-inch wide and 2 inches long. Other comparable destruction methods may be used. Material containing or revealing UCNI must be destroyed according to agency directives.

### § 1017.27 Transmission.

- (a) Physically transmitting UCNI documents or material.
- (1) A document or material marked as containing UCNI may be transmitted by:
- (i) U.S. First Class, Express, Certified, or Registered mail;
- (ii) Any means approved for transmission of classified documents or material;
- (iii) An Authorized Individual or person granted limited access under §1017.21 as long as physical control of the package is maintained; or,
  - (iv) Internal mail services.
- (2) The document or material must be packaged to conceal the presence of the UCNI from someone who is not authorized access. A single, opaque envelope or wrapping is sufficient for this purpose. The address of the recipient and the sender must be indicated on the outside of the envelope or wrapping along with the words "TO BE OPENED BY ADDRESSEE ONLY."
- (b) Transmitting UCNI documents over telecommunications circuits. Encryption algorithms that comply with all applicable Federal laws, regulations, and standards for the protection of unclassified controlled information must be used when transmitting UCNI over a telecommunications circuit (including the telephone, facsimile, radio, e-mail, Internet).